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Western Feature Added Shorts

Tuesday April 11th at 8 p. m.





RENEWAL OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BOOKS

To All Employers:

All Unemployment Insurance Books for the year ending March 31st, 1944, must be exchanged for new books.

Kindly communicate immediately with the nearest Employment and Selective Service Office if you have not already exchanged your employees' books.

> There are severe penalties for failing to make Unemployment Insurance Contributions for your insured employees and for failure to renew the Insur-ance Books as required.

To All Employees:

If you are an insured person protect your benefit rights by seeing that your Insurance Book has been exchanged.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE COMMISSION

HON. HUMPHREY MITCHELL, Minister of Labour

LOUIS J. TROTTIER
R. J. TALLON
ALLAN M. MITCHELL
Commissioners

WEDDING BELLS

YOUNG - RENNIE

A quiet wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Rennie on March 15, when their daughter, Ina, became the bride of Mr. J. Earle Young, son of Mrs. M. Society met last Thursday Young and the late Mr. J. J afternoon in the W. I rooms Young, all of Calgary. Rev. C. A. Lawson performed the They quilted two quilts, and

father, the bride wore a tur-quoise frock, with a corsage of

Miss Marjorie Kallion, She will cousin of the tride, and L. A. C. Stewart Young, brother of the bridegroom, were the attendants.

A reception was held afterward for 25 guests, after which where they will take up Mr. and Mrs. Young left for residence, Banff for their wedding trip. They have made their home in Calgary.

friends.

Mr, and Mrs, Elwyn Robert son motored to Hanna on Monday, Mrs. Robertson will visit for a week or two with her sister, Mrs, Gus Cook

School closed Thursday and will re-open Wednesday April 12th at 9 o'clock

Mr, J. H, Otting was a Calgary visitor this week

Mrs. Sutherland Miss Edler and Miss Randall, the teachers all left for their respective homes Thursday

Messrs C E, Neff and Geo. Airken visited last Sunday at the home of Mr, and Mrs, E,

The Ladies Card Club at the home of Mrs, Aitken Honors were shared by Mrs Cooley and Mrs, Aitken

with Mrs, W, Gingles



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YOUNGSTOWN

Mrs. Paul Auld and two children left Friday night for Calgary where she will visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

ceremony.
Given in marriage by her Hostesses for the tea were Mrs Quinn and Mrs. Wells,

pink roses. She wore the bridegroom's gift of a gold-set cameo.

Miss Marjorie Railton, She will spend a few days in

Mr. and Mrs. S. Fraser left Monday night for Vancouver,

The ladies and the high school girls had their Physical Mr. and Mrs. Young have the best wishes of all Chinook friends. enjoyed by all.

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Allied Naval Supremacy

THE INCREASED MOMENTUM of land and air operations has made them the main topic of news and discussion in recent months, yet it should not be forgotten that the Navy is at all times playing a very active part in the great Allied offensive. The duties of the Navy in carrying troops and supplies to the fighting fronts are stupendous, and it is also a most important factor in all amphibious operations. Mr. A. V. Alexander, Britain's First Lord of the Admiralty, recently gave some interesting information concerning the work of the Royal Navy, when he presented the navial estimates for the approval of the House of Commons. Referring to shipping losses, Mr. Alexander stated that during the second half of 1943, less than one ship in a thousand, salling in Allied convoys, had been sunk by enemy action. This figure was compared with the losses in 1941, which were 181 in a thousand; and in 1942 when the losses were 233 out of every thousand ships.

Sub Menace
Is Still Serious

A grim warming was contained in Mr. Alexander's message in regard to the submarine menace. Contrary to the opinion held by many people, that there is now no further danger from this source, he pointed out that Germany now has at least as many submarines as she had at the beginning of 1943, and that they have been provided with rimprovements. They have also extended their field of operation into wider areas, including the Indian Ocean. There was the encouraging assurance, however, that the Mediterranean route to the East is now being freely used by ships of the Allied nations. "This route." Mr. Alexander said, "is worth about one million gross tons, and the liberation of North Africa and Italy together have brought in half as much again in actual shipping." When we recall the long and circutious voyage which had to be taken by Allied ships before the Mediterranean was made safe, it is not difficult to realize the importance of this development.

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Referring to the many offensive actions which lie shead, the First Lord said that the Navy is looking beyond the struggle in Europe to the day when the full force of our resources will be directed against Japan. "When we bear upon Japan for the final blow," he said, our maritime forces will, more obviously than for generations past, be the corneratone of our whole strategy. The Navy stands today in a more commanding position than it has held since 1940, strenuously preparing for further and greater responsibilities." Germany has devoted her naval efforts in this war largely towards submarine action and there have been relatively few engagements involving surface craft. In all naval actions which have taken place, however, the Royal Navy has shown that the splendid traditions of British seamanship are maintained, and the Royal splendid traditions of British seamanship are maintained, and the Royal Canadian Navy has likewise added honors to its already fine record.

Winston Churchill

Winston Churchill
British Premier Is In A Class All
By Himself
Winston Churchill is, an old Tory,
He is an old Liberal. He is a rank
imperialist. He is a fervent democrat. But mainly he is one of those,
men who cannot walk into the House
of Commons, or any house or place,
without creating something of an
electric shock, asys The New Yorkt
Times. He does not do this because
he is Prime Minister. He is Prime
Minister because he can do it.
He is Prime Minister because he
has made and projected an image
of what the British people what to be
in this war: there he stands and there
they stand, in courage so sure that it
need never plume itself; in faith as
strong as the British earth from
which it springs, in cheerfulness that
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which it springs, in cheerfulness that
you have the stands and there
where the property in honesty of purpose; in loyalty to
even the most misunderstanding of
friends.

"IDEAL OBSERVANCE
The voluble Mrs. Spencer paused in her interminable gossip about the neighbors long enough to fix a proprietary eye on her husband and remark, "Denr, tomorrow will be out tenth wedding anniversary. Two been wondering how to celebrate three minutes of silence," repiled Mr. Spencer, without looking up from his paper.

The first Canadian chees factory was established in Oxford County, Ontario, in 1864.

Approximately 44,000 thunder-storms occur throughout the world daily, according to estimates.



SMILE AWHILE "Do you believe in love at first sight

"Oh, yes, but I can't recommend it."

"How is it that you let your wife have her own way?" "I once tried to stop her."

Officer: "Don't you know what the crack of dawn is?" Private: "Sure, what my wife used to give me when I came home at 4 a.m."

She: "You say a pat on the back

develops character?"

He: "Yes, if administered young enough, often enough and low enough."

Male Shopper: "Do you have notions on this floor?" Salesgiri: "Yes, but we suppress them during working hours."

Nurse (to housemald) — Baby's got her mother's complexion.

Father (from next room)—Nurse, are you letting that child play with those paints?

famer—Let me tell you, my friend, that horse knows as much as I do. Friend-Well, don't tell anybody else; you might want to sell him some day.

Judge—Can't this case he settled out of court? Kelly—Sure, that's what we were trying to do, your Honor, when the pellee interfered. "I see one of our vessels is re-ported fast in the mud." "Well?"

Well?"
"I was just thinking that a ship fast in the mud ought to be a record breaker on the open sea."
"Did you get that clgar from a friend?"

Price Control And Rationing

Q.—I would like to know if there is a ceiling price on used cars.
A.—Definitely yes, there is a ceiling price on all sales of used cars.
A.—Definitely yes, there is a ceiling price on all sales of used cars.
Year and model of the car; if it has any extras the price would differ.
Write to your nearest regional office of the Board and they will give you complete information.

out?

A.—No. Meat charts, which are displayed in butcher shops, show the difference in price for cuts containing bone and boneless cuts.

Please send your questions or your request for the pamphlet ("Consumers News" or the Blue Book (the book in which you keep track of your ceiling prices) mentioning the name of this paper to the nearest Wartime Prices and Trade Board office in your province.

YOUR VIEWPOINT

OIL BEARING SEEDS
Objectives for 1944 in oil bearing
seed crops are — flaxseed, 2,800,000
acres, five per cent, below the 1943
average; soybeans, 90,000 acres, 78
per cent, more than in 1943; rape
seed, 147 per cent, above last year,
and sunflower seed, 50,000 acres, a 72
per cent, increase over 1943.

Sunflower Production Another Worthwhile Contribution To The War Effort

Until recently the production of the sunflower in Canada was restricted

And Rationing Information

Q—I am expecting my daughter and the baby to arrive from New York to live with me. How can I get ration books for them?

A—If your daughter and the baby are staying in Canada for five days may perform than 12 weeks. If they are staying longer than six months they may apply to your local ration board for a permanent ration book.

Q—If you, who is in the services, and to receive a ration card when he fet camp on leave. Will he be able to get one at the local ration board of the reason when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not meet the common state and the came obtained the common state of the receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his leave pass, he does not receive his ration can de when he gots his developed he surrenders and the surface of the receive his ration can de when he gots his developed he surrenders and polyto a branch of the ration and the surface had not to developed his received his received his received his received his

vegetable oil. They set about to develop varieties suitable for grain production on a large scale. They decided first of all that such varieties must be semi-dwarf in habit for work and early maturing so that they could be harvested antifactority by ordinary farm machinery. Furthermore, the new varieties had to meet certain standards of perfect the production of the production of the production of the production of the produce dental table to the produce of the set with the very surface very large of the produce dental table by the provinces in 1943. It is staintand that this crop will yield over 1314 million pounds of high quality edities old and more than 2,250 tons or excelent, high protein oil meal suitable for stock feed. In addition there will be an abundance of seed available to each than 2,250 tons or excelent, high protein oil meal suitable for stock feed. In addition there will be an abundance of seed available to enable than 2,250 tons or excelent, high protein oil meal suitable for stock feed. In addition there will be an abundance of seed available to enable the production and the production of the production of the produced with the provinces in productive and the production of the produced with the provinces in productive and the produced with the provinces in productive and the produced with the provinces in productive and the produced with the provinces and sound teeth. If children have not been getting sold the properties of the produced with the calcium cannot do its work of building and maintaining strong back the provinces had asked the boys what they'd like to dother work white contribution from money. And three New York Laundren work the main and the provinces had asked the boys what they'd like to dother work the provinces had asked the boys what they'd like to dother work the main and the provinces had asked the boys what they'd like to dother work the provinces had asked the boys what they'd like to dother work the provinces had asked the boys what they'd like to dother work the provin

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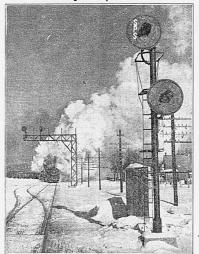
When he doesn't like your friends,

When he picks flaws in things, he's
cranky; when you do, you are discranky; when you do, you are discranky; when he tries to treat someone
specially well, he's toadying; when

"To tell you the truth, ma'am,

"To tell y

New Signals Speed Trains



Safer and speedler operation of trains between Chapleau and Schreiber, Ontario—a 250-mile stretch, is assured by installation of automatic block signals at a cost of more than \$1,100,000. Over this portion of the long Schreiber division, the Canadian Pacific Railway's "bridge" between castern and western Canada an average of 30 trains pass daily making it one of the busiest sections of the transcontinental line. Photo shows signals at the east switch of the White River yard. Train No. 4, for Toronto, is just leaving the station.

THE FAMOUS OLD COUGH REMEDY FOR ALL AGES COUGH SYRUP COUGHS—COLDS BRONCHITIS ASTHMA WHOOPING COUGH CATARRHAL ASTHMA SIMPLE SORE THROAT

Proper Diet

—which might be anything from sew-ing on a button to wiring flowers home—were provided on over 3,000,-000 occasions. Altogether, Beaver club facilities were used by Cana-dians last year 3,003,205 times.

GEMS OF THOUGHT

The integrity of men is to be measured by their conduct, not by their professions.—Junius.

The man who does his work, any work, conscientiously, must always be in one sense a great man.—Mulock.

True honesty takes into account the claims of God as well as those of man; it renders to God the things that are God's, as well as to man the things that are man's.—C. Sim-

mons.

The man of integrity is one who makes it his constant rule to follow the road of duty, according as Truth and the volce of his conscience point it out to him.—Mary Baker Eddy.

It is wonderful what strength and boldness of purpose and energy will come from the feeling that we are in the way of duty.—John Foster.

A mind conscious of integrity scorns to say more than it means to perform.—Robert Burns.

The use of tobaco as legal tem as old as its cultivation; it ma-gold as legal tender in colonial ginia.

When the head of an ordinary worm is cut off, he simply grows another. 2561



Wings Parade

DEALING WITH SUBS Since January 1st, 1943, ships of the Royal Navy and R.A.F. aircraft have sunk more than half of the German underseas fleet.

In the Franco-Prussian war, besieged Parisians moved 88 persons and more than four million letters out of Paris by balloon.









OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY-HAPPILY EVER AFTER

Mollic could not remember getting on the bus. After the fight with Joe she had gone out and walked and walked. But here she was, sitting at the top in the rear seat she and Joe had always laughingly said was reserved for them. While Joe was evently a country to the country of the said was reserved.

"You mean you live alone?" Molle asked.

A veteran Atlantic coast pilot with more than 20 months of operational captring from the girl's tone was bitter. "Yes, I live alone. And when I can't bear it any longer, I call in that gang inside. We have much in common. Bale is still in love with his ex-wife —the girl in the red dress—and protduces somebody new every day to failed to hit the hurtling Liberator.

IF YOUR NOSE CLOSES UP" TIGHT AT NIGHT

HINDERS BREATHING-SPOILS SLEEP

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Was Not Planned

British Empire Grew Out Of People's Leve For Adventure
Lovd Eiton, secretary of the Rhodes
Trust, is responsible for reminding the world that no Government planned the expansion of England toverseas. British men laid the foundations of a world-wide Commonwealth by the simple process of being prepared to go where opportunity and the bright eyes of danger tempted them. All of Britain's greatest imperial rivials were authoritarian States, in which colonization was an affair not of individual enterprise, but of ministers and officials. Spain of the Armada, France of the Bourbons, or France of Napoleon, Germany of the Hohenzollerins—all were ruled by despots and bireaucrats. But Britain overthrew them all.

Housing Poultry

Plan Ample Room For The Chickens To Grow

The housing problem in Canada is not confined to human beings; it extends to poultry. There is no excuse, say the Poultry authorities, Dominion Department of Agriculture, for not having ample room for poultry to thrive and grow in Canada. Growing chicks or half-grown pullets lacking ample roosing accommodation frequently pile up in the corners or on the floor, and while piling up in growing chicks is not immediately fatal as with young chicks, the life flects will be apparent long afterwards, if the piling up is allowed to continue. The obvious solution is to provide sufficient colony houses and range shelter accommodation, and for satisfactory growth there should be at least two range shelters for each colony house and the birds taught to use them. Birds are equipped by mature to roost in the open with ample air and ventilation around them. Many equipment manufacturers and hatchery operators now offer for sale range shelters in disjointed form. Now is the time to plan to meet the housing contingency before the rush season of another year comes around.

The sharp edges of volcanic rock

The sharp edges of volcanic rock on Ascension Island in the south Atlantic can wear out a pair of heavy army shoes in six days.

hese days, when tea must yield the utmost in flavour, quality is of supreme importance. Ask for..

Only two South American count-ies, Chili and Ecuador, do not border





DEFLATED

Some of the young boys in uniform try hard to appear grown up and sophisticated. One of this type was me an inght-chub group recently. As a mature cabaret singer danced near his table he whistled and asked. "Hey, babe, what you doin after you get through here tonight?"

The singer looked at him compassionately. Leaning over tenderly, she said: "I'm going home to take care of my little boy, who is just about your age." —Lee Shippey in Los Angeles Times.

"I said good-bye to Constipation!"

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Local News

An Easter Church of Eug land Service will be held at the School next Sunday at 7:30 p. m. Rev. E. H. Christ-where he has been for some An Easter Church of Eng

Mrs. W. Zawasky who has Mr. and Mrs R. V. I been visiting with relatives in rence returned Thur. day. Vancouver, returned to her Lawrence had just returned home berelthis week. . . .

> Mrs E A. Jacobson left on Fuesday night for Calgary where she will spend a few Mr Ethan Hagey who spent the winter months in Calgary weeks'at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gustin,

Mr. Dan Drysdale left for Calgary on Wednesday where he will spend a few days.

time.

Mr. and Mrs R. V. Law from Vancouver where she visited with her son Jack

Mr Ethan Hagey who spent

TIME BOMBS

Fear, greed and thate are the enemies with which we can never make peace. They are certain

to destroy us, if they are not first destroyed

No religion or belief is any good if a man is no different for having it

We have too long moved from crisis to crisis This time we must move beyond the crisis to cure.

Many would like to forget the past and start fresh. The real job is to put right the past and; start clean.

Dept. of Lands and Mines

The Game branch, Department of Lands and Mines, is declaring an open season on muskrats, during the period March 15th to April 29th, both dates inclusive, in that part of the Province lying to the south the North Saskatchewan River. The trapping must be done on a Limited Trapper's Licence, the fee for which is \$2 00 and obtainable from any Canadian Mounted Police detachment or Game Guardian in the area The licence will permit any person who is the owner, purchaser under an Agreement for Sals or lease of land in that part of the Province lying to the south of the North, Saskarchewan River, which land is used for farming or ranching purposes, as well as any member of such person's immediate family, such as a parent or a child over the age of sixteen years actually residing on the land or some part thereof, totrap muskrats on his own land or adjoining land. The shooting or speering of muskrats is prohibited.

E. S. Huestis. Fish and Game Commissioner

For the Chinook Advance

Do you want your hospital in Cereal? If you do vote against the forming of a wunicipal Hospital.

Do you like the hospital we do then vote for location in Cereal! In this way you are protecting your interests. Remember Open has every

thing to gain and nothing to I hey will all vote.

must get out and vote. It is your responsibility to-see that the hospital is kept in Cereal

Be sure and vote. It is important.

A Subscriber.



By
DR. K. W. NEATBY
Director
ine Elevators P---Line Ele 'Bugs' in the Grain Bins

Seven or eight years ago, a distinguished authority on insects stated that, in Western Canada, we need never worry about insect damage in our stored grain. Most authorities are occasionally wrong, and he was no exception.

and he was no exception.

It is not our purpose to spread false alarm, but nevely to draw attention to the defensive measures at our disposal. In guarding against losses due to insects in farm stored grain, we have three powerful allies. They are: a cold elimate, a dry climate and a very ellicient Division of pEntomology in the Dominion Department of Agriculture. Despite these advantages losses have been suffered and will continue unless the necessary precautions are observed.

necessary precautions are observed.

The hest precention against loss is storing only dry grain, and keeping it dry by means of verbilisted granaries which exclude rain and sono and which are constructed so as to provide an air space between the floor and the ground. As added insurance, it is wise to bin grain drying below the provide and if possible clean it, during very cold weather. possi

weather.

If storing tough grain is unavoidable, it should be examined regularly and, at the first sign of heating or infestation by mites or insects, it should be run through a faming mill, threshing machine or combine.

All Line Elevator agents have copies of a Dominion Government leaflet on this subject and, also, the "Seedtiao and Harvest" pleaflet which gives more detail than space-allows here.



SINCE THE CALL TO ARMS

WITHIN AN HOUR of the opening of hostilities the Canadian National began what has proved to be the largest and one of the most exacting war jobs in Canada. This job has continued day and night without stop for four and a half years.

FROM SEPTEMBER 10, 1939 to March 10, 1944 the Cana-dian National carried more than 100 million passengers and 300 million tons of freight. Since the beginning of the war the Canadian National Dining Car Department has served 13,631,387

THE RAHWAY not only hauled away the completed munitions of war, but brought in the raw materials to make them. Without this two-way service, Canada's magnificent job of production could not have been carried out. The Canadian National itself builds mine-sweepers, 12,000-ton freighters, naval guess and gun mountings, after craft components, and parts for other gun factories.

OF THE 100 MILLION PASSENGERS carried, a high percentage consisted of members of the armed forces proceeding to camps for training and to shipboard for embarkation.

STEAMSHIPS OF THE COMPANY, though reduced in numbers by sinkings through enemy action, have served gallantly in the war as auxiliary armed cruisers, bospital ships and transports.

CANADIAN NATIONAL Express and Telegraph facili-ties have worked to capacity to meet war de-

The Canadian National's nine all-year hotels, situated in cities from the Atlantic to the Pacific, have provided service of an essential nature to those engaged in the war effort. All the Company's resort hotels are closed for the duration.

22% OF THE PERSONNEL in Company's service in 1939 have joined the armed forces. In Victory Loan campaigns Canadian National men and women have purchased bonds to the amount of \$26,924,600.

TRANS-CAHADA AIR UNIS, subsidiary of the Canadian National Railways, has carried 435,000 passenger during the ware, 4417,000 pounds of ir mail letters, and 1,475,000 pounds of warrinne air express. Trans-Canada Air Lines is also flying the Ailantic regularly with mail to and from the



of our country, including those who are sering in the armed forces, in the prosecution of the year. It believes that Canadians will be interested in this outline of some of the System's war activities.

Extracts from Annual Report of the Directors of the Canadian National System:

OUR OBJECTIVE IN 1943, as in other war years, was to place the full strength of our man-power and facilities behind the war effort of the United Nations. To this end ull energies have been directed. The requirements of the armed forces, of industry and agriculture, for transport and other services, have been met in all of the nine Provinces of the Dominion and in the import-ant sections of the United States in which we operate.

RECORD TRAFFIC

These demands were greater than ever before, the traffic moved in 1913 being 17.3% greater than in 1942, the previous peak war year, and 44.7% greater than in 1928, the peak peace year.

Freight traffic in 1943 was more than double that of 1939, and passenger traffic four times that of 1939.

Despite this, the very large movements of war, materials and personnel reached their destinations in accordance with schedule arrangements. There was no lowering of the recognized standards of safety.

MANUFACTURE OF MUNITIONS

The Company also extended its activities as a manufacturer of munitions, ships and nava

FARRING POWER

The 1943 operations demonstrated the great earning power of the System, the railway proving again that it can handle an immense volume of business economically as well as

After providing from revenue for all operating expenses (including deferred maintenance, depreciation, amortization of defence projects and reserve for inventories) and also a reserve for pension contracts, taxes, interest

on funded debt and Government loans, the surplus paid in cash to the Government was \$35,639,412.

OPERATING EFFICIENCY

The operating ratio for the year was 73.64% (an all-time record) as compared with 76.93% in 1942 and 81.99% in the peak peace year of 1928.

It is interesting to note that the vastly increased war traffic in 1943 was handled with 16.6% fewer locomotives, 15.4% fewer freight cars and 5.1% more passenger cars than was the traffic of 1917, the fourth year of the last World War.

SPECIAL SERVICES PROVIDED

The Company was honoured in being selected to provide extensive train and other services for Prime Minister Churchill, President Roosevelt and Madam Chiang Kai-shek during their visits to Canada in 1943.

PUSI-WAR Changing conditions will call for new methods of railway operation and new types of service, and there must needs be a continuing search for improvement in all aspects of the railway industry. In view of this, the Company has in hand a programme of research. This pro-gramme, in addition to considering ways and means of improving service and efficiency of operation, also encompasses the problems of post-war reconstruction and republification. post-war reconstruction and rehabilitation

THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES in all departments of the System have worked ha loyally to cope with increased responsibilities arising out of the war, and the directors record their appreciation and thanks. The traditional harmonious relations between management and mmjoyees were maintained throughout the year. Appreciation also is expressed to shippers and the travelling public alike for their cooperation in and sympathetic/junderstanding of difficult operating conditions caused by the war.



CANADIAN NATIONAL

The Largest Railway System in America